

Meeting Summary

Health Information Infrastructure Stakeholder Advisory Committee (HIISAC)

Radisson Hotel, Seattle

Thursday, December 1, 2005, 1:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Members Present:

Karen Anderson, Washington Veterans Home; Lisa Alkin, Puyallup Tribal Health Authority; Corrine Bell, Pacific Care; Tom Byron, Washington State Medical Association; John Christianson, Christiansen Attorney at Law; Kimberly Creguer, Department of Information Services; David Diechert, Bastyr Center for Natural Health; Andy Fallat, Foundation of Health Care Quality; Laura Groshong, WSSCSW and WSCMHPC; Joy Grossman, Center for Studying Health System Change; Lance Heineccius, Puget Sound Health Alliance; Tom Jones, Community Choice PHO; James King, Department of Labor and Industries; Karen Langer, School of Arts and Sciences; Lori Martin, Columbia United Providers; Sherri McDonald, Thurston County Department of Health; Steve Moe, Consultant; Paul Nichol, Veteran Administration; Jay Pathy, Health Unity; Stephen Pence; Bob Perna, Washington State Medical Association; John Robinson, Molina Health Care; Jeff Rochon, Washington State Pharmacy Association; Rick Rubin, OneHealthPort; Roy Sahali, University of Washington-Library; Mark Simon, Maxwell IT; Gil Thurston, Senior Lobby; Frank Westrum, Department of Health; Vicki Wilson, Office of Financial Management; and DJ Wilson, Northwest Physicians Network

Members Not Present:

Linda Blankenship, Community Health Plan of Washington; *Bob Covington*, Department of Social and Health Services; *Ralph Forquera*, Seattle Urban Indian Health Board; *Kristen Huff*, Regence BlueShield; *Seth Lubin*, Intel Digital Health Group; *Deborah Murphy*, Washington Association of Housing and Service for the Aging; *Helen Nelson*, Panorama City Nursing Facility; *Sandy Rominger*, The Boeing Company; *Dean Sittig*, Kaiser Permanente; *Lauri St. Ours*, Washington Health Care Association; and *Brenda Zierler*, University of Washington

HCA Committee Staff:

Juan Alaniz, Ruth McIntosh, and Richard Onizuka

Call to Order and Introductions:

The first session of the Washington State Health Information Infrastructure Advisory Committee was called to order by Richard Onizuka at 1:10 PM.

Committee members introduced themselves and provide a brief statement on what they hoped to contribute to the effort and why they wanted to serve on the Committee.

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Background on Project, Discussion on Role, Function & Process for HIISAC

Richard Onizuka provided some background on Project, and began a discussion on the potential role, function & process for the HIISAC. Main points of that discussion included:

- Legislative requirements (SSB 5064) and context and role of HIIAB vis-à-vis the HIISAC
- Role of other stakeholder groups
- How might the HIISAC best fit in?

What's the goal? Scope the Role of the HIISAC

Committee members provided considerable feedback, addressed questions and made some preliminary recommendations regarding the role and functions of the Committee.

Some of the initial feedback and questions from Committee members in the brainstorming phase that helped frame the discussion included (from easel charts):

Initial Feedback and Questions:

- Will we be looking at the “What” or the “How” of the strategy?
- Be looking at how to link existing processes and activities
- How do we leverage what we have?
- Get an idea of what the outcome looks like at the community level.
- What will the overall solution or strategy look like?
- Inter-state activities; look at what is being done in border communities and between states.
- What is the goal and what is the focus (for the Committee)?
- Identify the “what” list
- Perform or identify a gap analysis
- “What would this look like from our respective stakeholder viewpoint?”
- “What is the review feedback input to the HIIAB activities?”
- Committee can be a broader piece of what is recommended; helping HCA with state agency activities that fulfill the mandate
- “What assist feedback from HIIAB that can add value to work critique?”
- Assist the Advisory Board with in-put; provide feedback and add value to their work with substantive things like objective critique.
- An initial activity may be to focus on and provide feedback on the interim report.

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Highlights of comments or feedback representative of Committee members:

- **Rick Rubin** suggested that HCA staff narrow down the goal and scope of the HIISAC rather than approaching it so open-ended.
- **Karen Anderson** suggested the Committee consider sub-groups within the HIISAC to address specific issues and tasks.
- **James King** developing the activity processes that the HIISAC would be involved in.
- **Bob Perna** commended that the Committee consider what the outcome measure processes of the HIISAC might look like and how they should or would mesh with current processes.

Role Focus:

The feedback and recommendations centered on the Committee's role being an advisory group to the HCA. The HCA would request specific feedback or advice on key Board activities, proposed actions/recommendations and other related functions.

Preliminary Report:

Richard Onizuka provided an overview of the HIIAB preliminary report submitted to the Legislature ([InterimtRpt1205.pdf](#)). He suggested that the HIISAC review the work and develop and offer feedback for next HIISAC meeting.

Tom Byron suggested that an immediate role for the Committee would be to help HCA and the HIIAB in this effort (of providing initial feedback to the interim report). He further commented that an essential function for the HIISAC will be to know what happens at the HIIAB meetings and to know the overall function of the HIIAB. He further cautioned that the Committee work should correlate and add value to the current process of the HIIAB not to duplicate it.

Dr. Corrine Bell inquired about possible future roles of the HIISAC for any proposed or envisioned town hall meetings. Juan Alaniz responded that the HIISAC would likely play a significant role in assisting with this effort.

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For the Next Meeting:

The committee recommended the following for the core January 11, 2006 meeting agenda:

- *Distilling of desired role of HIISAC:*
 - What does HCA need specific feedback on?
 - What does HCA specifically want for further discussion from HIISAC regarding the HIIAB Preliminary Report (Pages 5-12)?
 - How are recommendations of HIISAC made to HCA and HIIAB (process).
 - What are other potential advisory roles envisioned by HCA & HIIAB for the HIISAC?
- *Summary of the HIIAB activities (and Board direction)*
- *Dr. William Yasnoff presentation material from last HIIAB meeting (the straw draft solution and related presentations)*
- *Circulate next HIIAB meeting agenda (December 15, 2005) to the Committee*

HCA staff will develop the agenda and coordinate for the project consultant's presentations to be accomplished in person or via teleconference for the January meeting.

Adjournment

With no further business and with assignments confirmed by Juan Alaniz, the meeting had adjourned by Richard Onizuka at 4:45 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting location is the Seattle Community College, Brockey Center on Wednesday, January 11, 2005 from 9 AM-1 PM.